(c) Does not arise

[*English*]

Response to Maruti 1000 in Foreign Markets

6624. SHRI GANGADHARA SANIPALLI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any discussion was held recently between the Government and the President of the Suzuki Motor Car Company;

(b) if so, the matter discussed and the outcome thereof; and

(c) the response to Maruti 1000 in foreign markets?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P.K.THUNGON): (a) & (b). Mr. O. Suzuki called on the Prime Minister, Finance Minister, Commerce Minister and Minister of State (HI). Matters relating to the functioning and future plans of Maruti were discussed. No final decisions were taken.

(c) The Maruti 1000 is not intended for export except in very limited markets.

[*Translation*]

Land Levelling Scheme

6625. SHRI CHINMAYANAND SWAMI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to implement a scheme for levelling the land with a view to make it fertile under Rural Development Agency;

(b) if so, whether Badaun district has been included in this scheme; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) to (c) Land levelling is already one of the permitted activities under the Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) being implemented in all the rural districts of the country including that of Badaun District (Uttar Pradesh).

[*English*]

Demand for Price Revision by Drug Industry

6626. SHRI DHARMANNA MONDAYYA SADUL:
SHRI K. THULASIAH VANDAYAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the demand of the Drug Industry for price revision of their products is pending consideration with the Government for the last one and a half year and as a result of delay the Industry has threatened to go on strike shortly in support of their demands; and

(b) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken to take a decision in the matter to remedy the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR.CHINTA MOHAN): (a) & (b). The price revision of price-controlled drugs and formulations is an on-going process. One of the main demands of the industry related to relief due to increases arising out of last year's petroleum products price hike, general inflation and the exchange rate adjustment of the rupee. On account of these

escalations in costs, Industry has demanded 25% increase on all items.

Price increases due to last year's petroleum products price hike were considered and allowed on a number of bulk drugs and formulations. Government has recently revised the prices of 31 bulk drugs using imported raw materials w.e.f. 30.8.1991. Price revisions are being examined for other bulk drugs also.

Technical Manpower Support to Scientists in Indian Missions

6627. SHRI RAMESHWAR PATIDAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the scientists on deputation in Indian missions abroad are provided with decision-making autonomy and technical manpower support to contribute effectively utilising their technical skills;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the measures being taken to set up Indian Technology Park in each Indian Embassy where new Indian technology could be displayed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTERY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b). Scientists on deputation in our Missions abroad work under the overall supervision of the Head of the Mission. They are assisted by the necessary supporting staff.

(c) The Mission in several countries have display windows which project India's achivements in various fields including Science and Technology.

[*Translation*]

Foreign collaboration for Scooter manufacturing companies

6628. SHRI PANDURANG PUNDLIK FUNDKAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the major scooter (two-wheeler) manufacturing companies in the country are having collaboration with foreign companies;

(b) if so, the name of such Indian companies alongwith the name of their foreign collaborators;and

(c) the quantum of spares imported in each case and the extent of foreign exchange for which permission was granted in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) to (c). The names of major manufacturers of scooters having foreign collaboration arrangement, the names of their collaborators and the FE allowed and utilised by them are as under:

(Rs.in lakhs)

Name of India Company	*Name of Collaborator*	*FE allowed for spares (1989-90)*	*FE Utilised*
1. M/s. LML Ltd Kanpur	M/s.Piaggio & C.S.P.A Italy	67.82	42.19
2. M/s. Kinetic Honda Motors Ltd., Pune	M/s.Honda Motors Co. Lt., Japan	149.00	60.00